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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

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SUBJECT : Intelligence Community Staff Long-Range Goals

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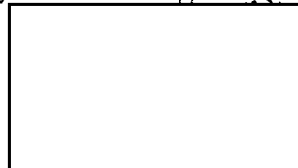
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- Devise better long-term planning documents linked with resource implications.
- Improve assessments of NFIP programs, resource allocations and accomplishments.
- Develop an ability to make net judgments and tradeoffs among the three main elements of collection: SIGINT, imagery and human sources.
- Develop a national intelligence strategy for the 1980's.
- Foster structural and process initiatives to further enhance Community capabilities to identify developing international crisis situations and respond to the needs for information in periods of localized or general crisis.
- Foster the continued development of the DCI Committee structure into a more effective instrumentality for attainment of DCI objectives, for improving the statement of requirements for information and for providing inputs to intelligence products.

While we can certainly address the above goals in the immediate future, experience dictates that the full evolution of accomplishment stretches over several years.



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